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DEFINING FROM A FIRST RECORDING SPEED A SECOND RECORDING SPEED FOR RECORDING ON AN INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action of January 15, 2009.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.